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Appl. No. : 09/981,389 Confirmation No.: 6813
Applicant : David Graumann
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Examiner : Faulk, Devona E.

Docket No. : 1020.P12451

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

SIR:

The applicant hereby petitions for a two (2) month extension of time to respond to this Office Action.

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 16, 2006, the period for response having been extended herein to July 16, 2006, by payment of the requisite fee for a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.